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Note and Comment

Considerable irritation is being shown in the two provinces to the east in regard to the way in which Alberta grain products are receiving due recognition. Senator Perley of Wolsley rushes into print with a remarkable letter, which makes some very serious charges. It appears in the Winnipeg Telegram.

"I to-day noticed," writes the Senator "in your paper (the George Hill) government land inspector, I presume for Alberta, has made it a part of his duty to advertise to the world that the province of Alberta is a better oat producing province than either Manitoba or Saskatchewan. I am proud of the man who is patriotic enough to boast of his own district or province, but I do not, however, approve of his patriotism when he does it at the expense of sister provinces, especially such provinces as Manitoba and Saskatchewan that are beyond the question of a doubt the garden of Canada. Manitoba is known, the wide world over, as the land of No. 1 hard wheat, and other agricultural products of equally excellent quality. Saskatchewan has not been so long settled, and is not so well known, but soon will be as her agricultural resources are greater in proportion to her area than any other province or state in America. Saskatchewan does not have to boast of oats worth 20 cents per bushel. The Saskatchewan farmer's staple crop is No. 1 wheat. We only raise or produce oats enough in Saskatchewan for home use, and for Alberta to make up her show exhibit when she goes abroad to exhibit. Yet you will be surprised to learn, Mr. Editor, that about the first of last September, a Mr. Craig, an employee of the Alberta government and a graduate of Guelph Agricultural college, Ont., a good competent person for the business, came to Wolsley. He said he had instruction to make a selection of oats, wheat and barley for the Alberta government to send to the Halifax exhibition for the purpose, as he said to me again, to advertise Alberta as a good country to immigrate to. Mr. Craig was instructed to go to Major Cates farm, south of Wolsley about seven miles, then to Perley farm and on to the Experimental Farm, Indian Head, to get the required samples of oats, wheat, and barley."

"He got from Major Cates, wheat, oats, and barley, from Perley farm he only got wheat and oats, and here let me add, he said the oat crop from which he made the selection on Perley farm was the best he had seen this season. What he got at the Indian Head farm I do not know. I only know Mr. Kennedy drove him there to make a selection."

"Had it not been for the article in your paper to-day I would have made no mention of the above facts. In conclusion let me say to the Alberta man that his province is great enough and has resources enough within itself to boast of without drawing a line of comparison with a province they got the seed oats from that produced the oats he is boasting of."

It is needless to point out how serious these accusations are. One would hardly think that a man occupying the dignified post of Senator would make them undvisedly. But as a matter of fact they are utterly without foundation. Mr. Hill, who substantiated the claims made by Alberta farmers before the grain commission, is not an Albertan official but a Dominion grain inspector, who has ample means of knowing what he is talking about and whom there is no reason whatever to suspect of being prejudiced in favor of any single province. As to the charge with which Mr. Craig's name is associated, that gentleman only be-

came an employee of the Albertan Government the first of November, and he now occupies the position of superintendent of Fairs and Institutes. The Halifax exhibition was over long before that date. He did visit the farms in Senator Perley's district referred to, but it was as an official of the Saskatchewan Government that he did so and his purpose was to secure samples for Saskatchewan's exhibit. No one had anything to do with the preparation of Alberta's exhibit but Mr. Frank Webb and Mr. E. L. Richardson. A full retraction is in order from the Senator.

We are told that telephone poles are so scarce that construction operations on the new lines in the province are likely to be seriously impeded during the summer. If they should become so scarce as to make it necessary to place all wires underground, there are many people who would consider it a blessing in disguise.

An election campaign is on in the neighboring province of British Columbia. It is a toss-up who will win. The Conservative government has performed excellent service in giving the province stability of administration for the past few years, the lack of which had told so seriously against its progress for a long time before. On the other hand, several transactions, the most notable of which was the Kaein Island deal, particulars of which a woman lobbyist obtained in advance from the minister of mines, who has since resigned, created a bad impression. Mr. MacDonald, the Liberal leader, has called to his assistance W. B. McInnis, governor of the Yukon. He has shown administrative ability and is a popular speaker. It is expected that the Socialists will elect some half-dozen members and probably hold the balance of power. This would be unfortunate. A decisive victory would undoubtedly be in the best interests of the province.

Incidentally it should be noted that in the Toronto mayoralty election, the Socialists showed their strength by polling 8,282 votes for their candidate against mayor Coatsworth, who secured 13,805. An independent Socialist secured 1,335. It is probable that many Liberals voted for the mayor's opponents, rather than support a Conservative. Be that as it may, the result is likely to have an important effect on the Socialistic movement throughout the country. Party men should have learned by this time how dangerous it is to play with fire.

"Jesus never went to the theatre. And he never played cards," says Evangelist Hunter. "This is the heading over the Calgary Albertan's report of one of the meetings held by Crossley and Hunter, the evangelists who are now holding forth in that city. Mr. Hunter's statement is likely true but there are plenty of things which Christ never did but which good Christians do every day. Because Christ

never attended a hockey match, are Christians to be debarred from doing so? Christ did not have a bank account so far as we know, but a few years ago when a certain financial institution collapsed in St. Thomas, it was shown that Messrs. Crossley and Hunter had been able to put something aside for a rainy day. If we are going to insist on Christians only doing what the Scriptures show Christ to have done, their conduct will certainly be circumscribed to an extent which no man of intelligence will deem necessary. All that anyone has a right to insist on is that they should do nothing which is contrary to the spirit of His teaching. Card-playing may be turned to evil purposes, but so may any other amusement. Why should it be condemned in itself? Why should all the good games be left to the Devil? To the majority who indulge in it, it is a perfectly harmless source of recreation. Let Mr. Hunter attack the gambling card-player not the game itself. As for the theatre it also is the source of wholly innocent amusement. It has been the means of bringing many bright hours into otherwise dull and dreary lives but it has done more than this. At its best it is a great educator. Why should we discourage it, simply because in some instances it exercises a demoralizing influence? The remedy is not to blot the theatre as an institution, but for those who prefer decency to ribaldry and uncleanness to support those plays which are above reproach."

"A meeting of the Liberal Executive was held in the President's office on Monday afternoon, at which fifteen members were present," says the Medicine Hat News. "The business before the meeting was in connection with the appointment of a successor to Mr. F. E. Patt as postmaster. Two names went before the meeting—W. J. McLean and M. M. Downey. A ballot vote was taken and Mr. McLean was the choice, afterwards made unanimous. He will be recommended to W. E. Knowles, M. P., for the appointment."

It is not often that the public is given the opportunity of seeing the process by which our public appointments are made. The theory of good government presupposes that the head of the department should consult broad public interests in making a choice. It is proper that he should consult with the representative of the riding. But the latter is expected to act on his own initiative in advising him. As a matter of fact the party workers of the district affected simply get together and decide how the office is to be disposed of as a bit of the party spoils. Does this system make for efficiency in the public service?

Captain Barber, who built a steamer, the Northern Light, at Athabasca Landing last winter for use on Lesser Slave Lake but could not get it through during the summer on account of the low water;

has gone to Ottawa to urge the federal authorities to make a grant for the improving of navigation on the little Slave River. It is doubtful if with the opening of the north country up by railways at an early date, it is worth while expending any very large sum of money on improving the southern portion of the chain of waterways. But it is understood that the amount required is moderate while the relief that would be afforded would be very great. A journey to the rich Peace River country in the summer at present is a most trying experience. Capt. Barber, for the enterprise which he has shown, is entitled to all praise and no man deserves a more respectful hearing from the government."

The Calgary Albertan in discussing the plans for the parliament buildings, shows a broad spirit, which we believe is shared by the majority of the people of the province.

"The province of Alberta" it says "is the best of the nine. That seems to be without doubt. That being the case we must not content ourselves with any ordinary buildings. They should be complete, roomy and beautiful. They should be the kind that people travel far to see, and remark about when they go away. They should be a source of education as well as accommodation. They should be worthy of Alberta, and we cannot go further than that, even if they cost us twice as much as people generally believe that they will cost, which is about \$1,000,000."

Hon. Mr. Cushing has just returned from a visit to a number of state capitols, where he secured much information which promises to bear excellent fruit in the structure about to be erected on the bank of the Saskatchewan.

Those who were instrumental in getting up the petition for a reserve in the vicinity of Buffalo Lake for a park and recreation ground as well as those who signed the petition will be pleased to know that through the energy of Mr. W. F. Puffer, M.L.A., the matter is progressing favorably. Mr. Puffer has received communications from the Hon. Frank Oliver and Dr. McIntyre, M.P., to the effect that the matter is under consideration by the Department at Ottawa.—Stettler Independent.

The big irrigation scheme of J. D. McGregor at Medicine Hat, has been brought to the point where work will start immediately. A pump costing \$500,000 is to be installed to pump water to a large reservoir for irrigating a large tract of land on the south side of the river. The north side is to be irrigated first, extending from eighty miles distant to the Stair ranch within about four miles of Medicine Hat. A million dollars, most of which is English capital, will be spent.

Work is progressing on a bridge over the Battle River, 3680 feet in length, for the C.P.R.'s Edmonton-Saskatoon branch.

With the Investor

If the C. N. R. carries out its reported intention of building from Regina to a point on its main line east of Edmonton, another large section of country will be brought into close touch with the Alberta capital. The Camrose Mail in speaking of the project says: "Those who have carefully followed the line of survey of this road from its main line near Vegreville to a point near Camrose will readily see what possibilities there are in store for the town of Camrose as a railway centre."

To strike Camrose on a line from Vegreville to Regina would mean a detour of sixty or seventy miles as Camrose is in a south-westerly direction from Vegreville. But if the line were built direct to Edmonton, it would run near Camrose.

The J. J. McLaughlin Company, the proprietors of large bottling works in Toronto and Winnipeg, have purchased some property on Elizabeth St., Edmonton, back of Cushing's factory and contemplate the establishment of a branch plant. The woollen company's premises, which are on the property, will be utilized.

P. Burns, the cattle king, when in Edmonton the other day, ventured the opinion that the establishment of a packing plant here was premature. The small supply of hogs led him to this conclusion. That it should be small is not to be wondered at in view of the prices that the farmers were able to obtain up till recently. They could hardly be expected to go in for hog-raising on an extensive scale when two years ago three cents was an ordinary price and some of them had to take 2 3/4 cents. With hogs at their present price and with a steady demand, there should be no trouble about the supply and the packing plant being established to the east of the city, which rumor associates with the Swift Company of Chicago, will enter on its work with the best wishes of success from both town and country people as well as with what we believe, are excellent prospects for success. Mr. Burns admitted that his company intended to be a little more active in its operations in and about Edmonton in the near future, but did not go into any particulars.

The Western Timber and Mines Company is opening a limestone quarry 40 miles up the river, the product of which they claim is excellent. It will be brought to Edmonton in scows.

A coal mine is being opened at Blairmore by the Blairmore Coal Company. This town, which lies in the Crow's Nest, between Coleman and Frank, the three being to all intents and purposes one place, has served a residential purpose for the other two. But it has been known all along that right around it are some of the richest deposits in this wonderfully rich district.

Machinery has been purchased in Pennsylvania for the development of coal deposits at Vegreville by a recently formed syndicate.

Real estate men are looking to the old town of McLeod as a field of operations during the coming year, according to the McLeod Ad-

vocate, which says:—"We in Macleod know of the strides the town is going to make next year, but this is the first intimation received from an outside source that this is recognised. The assistance of a little outside blood is booming the town, though to our mind not necessary, will do no harm and will serve to help the Board of Trade in their efforts to make the town as the centre of Southern Alberta."

Secretary Richardson of the Calgary Board of Trade has received inquiries from a large manufacturing firm in Illinois for information regarding Calgary as it is their intention to start a factory in Alberta somewhere, and they have at present their eyes on Calgary. This firm is prepared to build a factory that will cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000, for the purpose of manufacturing chimney smoke stacks and farm implements. In their letter they state that at the start the factory would employ from fifty to sixty people, and that they will, if located in Calgary, put up a quarter of their stock for sale in the city.

A temporary addition is to be built to Alberta College, to contain dormitories only, at a cost of \$3000. It is the intention next season to erect a new building elsewhere at a cost of \$50,000. The site on First street on which the present College stands is too valuable to continue to occupy. It is not necessary to have so central a location, and if turned over to other purposes can be made a source of no small revenue. As a city grows, the tendency is for such institutions to abandon down town sites. It is the same way with most of the churches. Knox Church in Toronto recently sold its property on Queen street for a very large figure, which should put the congregation on easy street for all time to come. McDougall Church in Edmonton, however, evidently intends to stick to its central site, plans being under way for the erection of a commodious structure where the present building stands. Another congregation which will have a similar problem to consider, when the demands for further accommodation become acute, as they are speedily becoming, is the First Presbyterian. All Saints will not likely have to face it for some years later, but business houses will undoubtedly before long be pressing in upon that property too. In this connection it is interesting to note that when the site for the present building was chosen, that where the new Credit Foncier is being erected was rejected because it cost \$50 more than the one further up Third street.

The Masons of Olds held a most successful ball in Dean's Hall on Dec. 21st



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IN THE ATHLETIC WORLD



With the thermometer between twenty and thirty below on New Year's Day, the hockey enthusiasts were ready to welcome a game which would warm the blood and they got it. There was a thrill to every minute and a climax which brought every spectator to his feet and a series of yells to every throat. It was the return match between Edmonton and Strathcona. The former had won across the river by 7 to 5 a week before. In that encounter the elder Blomfield, a player who can hold his own with the best in the west, was so severely damaged that he was not on the line-up on Tuesday, Blair taking his place. The team was considerably weakened and this accounts for the difference in the score; Strathcona, which had the same team as a week before, winning by 8 to 7. At half-time the score stood 3-3. The second half was well advanced before it was altered. Then both teams started in at a pace which made the spectator's task as difficult as that at a four ring circus. The Edmonton defence worked like Trojans and cleared time and again. But the forwards from across the river were the superior of their opponents and that turned the scale. The best part of the play was when the teams stood six aside, McArthur having been knocked out and Blair going off to even up. The fact served to strengthen some people in the conclusion that teams of six would give more interesting exhibitions than those of the present size. The dashing work of Hampton and Ritchie in particular was a pleasure to see. It is ginger such as they displayed that makes hockey a great game. Banford and Powers time and again relieved, but no defence men could fight off successfully all the attacks that were made. On the Edmonton side, Arnold Johnson made repea-

ted trips up the ice but shot wildly. The score crept up to 8 to 4 in Strathcona's favor and it looked as if Edmonton were all in and that a very bad beating was going to be administered. But they seemed to get a new lease of energy and with the play so fast that its details impossible to follow, three goals were scored shortly before the call of time. A large crowd witnessed the game, the reserved seat feature, which makes it very much more comfortable for the fair admirers of the contesting teams to watch a match, being much appreciated. Referee Dolson gave excellent satisfaction.

"Hit him again! hit him again!" came from two young rooters who ought to have been taken home, spanked, and put to bed, when one player was knocked out for a moment. On the whole though it would be hard to find in this country a fairer crowd or one more appreciative of good play, whoever makes it, that gathers at these Edmonton-Strathcona matches. I have followed athletic events closely for twenty-five years in Canada and I am firmly of the opinion that, despite all that pessimists say, there is a better spirit all round being manifested in our games. Public opinion on athletic questions is on the whole sound and hoodlumism cannot stand long in the face of it.

Strathcona supporters say 'hat Kent would strengthen their forward line, while Edmonton is looking to Deeton's return. The speedy forward is visiting his old home in Ontario, where he won his first laurels at hockey, football and baseball.

The gate receipts at Strathcona on Christmas Day were \$179.80, \$101 better than the highest of last season.

Ottawa this week certainly wiped out its defeat of a year ago in Winnipeg by the Thistles of Kenora, defeating them on the same ice by 10 to 5. The capital city's players are in a pretty fair way to regain the Canadian championship. Year in year out no club shows a higher average of play. The New Glasgow N.S. players, who came up to Montreal in an effort to secure the Stanley Cup from the Wanderers were evidently out of their class, losing the first game by 10 to 3. When a defending team inflicts as bad a beating as that in the first

game, their opponents must be a pretty poor lot.

Strathcona curlers turned the tables on Edmonton on New Year's Day. W. H. Sheppard's rink beat J. G. Kinnaird's by 12 to 11, and G. F. Downs that of W. H. Ketchum by 24 to 21.

Bush of Edmonton had no difficulty in disposing of Bick of Calgary, taking three out of four races at the rink in Calgary last week. He won the quarter, the mile, and the half, Bick getting a big lead in the two mile and finishing alone.

It is to be hoped that the Herald road race, run in Calgary on Christmas Day and won by Burns, a Calgary man, will be the first of many such events. There is no finer branch of sport than distance running and none that keeps a man in better condition. Sherring's victory at Athens has given it a great impetus in Canada, and the Herald is to be congratulated on giving it encouragement in Alberta. The time of the winner for the six miles, 36 minutes and 17 seconds, was excellent, considering the fact that he is not a runner of great pretensions.

Reference is frequently made to the superiority of British athletics, and we are led by some people to believe that in the old land there are none of those exhibitions of bad spirit which we criticise clubs and crowds for on this continent. It is true that we have much to learn from the folks at home, but that human nature is pretty much the same everywhere as indicated by the following clipping from a recent number of the London Express: "Football amenities furnished considerable entertainment at Newcastle County Court yesterday, when Judge Greenwell tried a claim by George Best, Hirst Football Club, for damages against Albert Duke, Whitley Athletic Football Club, for damages to his jaw, which was broken during a game. Best claimed £20, and told the court that while the game was in progress defendant tripped him and struck him as he got up, breaking his jaw. He denied kicking Duke or striking the first blow. James Stewart, the referee, gave a curious account of referee's duties, saying that he did not see the fracas, but that defendant had told him he had struck some one, and that he had better order him of Stewart

did not take this course, and explained that if he had done so he would have had to report it to the Football Association, and referees only reported what they saw. Witnesses who corroborated said the assault took place because Best was too good for Duke, who played centre half. In defence, Duke alleged assault from Best in the first instance, and the linesmen corroborated. After hearing the latter's evidence the Judge drew from him the admission that he was the Whitley linesman. Judgment was given for the plaintiff for £18, his Honor saying no first assault could justify such violence as would be necessary to break a jaw.

The Bull's Eye Hockey Club has been organized at Vermilion with the following officers: Hon. Pres. Col. Sam Hughes, M. P.; Pres. A. J. Dimmel; Sec.-Treas., G. Marion; Manager, F. Dwyer; Executive Committee, R. Mitchell, R. J. McCue, W. A. Reid, W. F. H. Thompson.

Capt. Mason of the champion Kent cricketers has been asked by Philadelphia to bring over a team of Kent amateurs to play in the large eastern American cities next summer. They will doubtless make a side-trip to eastern Canada, if the invitation is accepted. It may not seem practicable, but it would give the game a great impetus in the west, if the tour were extended out here. Nowhere in America, was keener interest taken in Kent's victory. Quite as large gates could be obtained and as good cricket played as in the east and the Kent amateurs would have the opportunity of seeing the real Canada that has been attracting the attention of the world during the past few years.

COVER POINT.

The engagement is announced of Miss Nellie, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs John Kenny, collector of customs at Lethbridge, to Mr T. H. Navin of Medicine Hat. The marriage will take place in St. Patrick's church, Lethbridge, on January 9th.

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About Town.

The plans of Mr. Todd, the landscape architect, for the grounds around the new Parliament buildings have been received. They provide for an entrance from both the north and south sides of the building. The building will be placed immediately south of Saskatchewan Avenue, with the main entrance facing Eighth street. According to the plans there will be a fore-court at the front of the building and a main driveway connecting with both Seventh and Ninth Sts. The driveway winds around a park and extends as far as the E. Y. & P. railway. At the south-east corner of the park there will be an artificial lake, with the driveway passing around it.

The following officers were elected by the Canadian Club on Monday:—His Honor The Lieutenant Governor, Honorary President; J. A. McDougall, president; Wm. Short, first vice-president; A. T. Cushing, second vice president; Col. E. B. Edwards, secretary; A. C. Fraser, treasurer; W. J. Pace, Ald. Gariepy, Dr. Ferris, K. W. McKenzie, Ald. Walker, J. T. Fisher, A. Mowat, N. D. Beck, T. M. Turnbull, executive committee.

The city commissioners have recommended the purchase of the Gibbon's property, three miles west of the city limits at a price of \$125 per acre as a waterworks city. The pipe line will come in by Jasper Avenue. The land carries coal rights without royalty and there are believed to be deposits on it which will prove very valuable. An option has been obtained and before it has expired the coal resources will be fully investigated.

On Mayor Griesbach's recommendation, the Council of 1907 at opening meeting of an informal character on Wednesday night decided to abolish the old committees and replace them with the following: Railway and Transportation, Aldermen Smith, McAuley, and Anderson. Trade and Commerce, Alderman Picard, Anderson and Smith. New Industries, Aldermen Daly, Walker and Picard. Finance, Alderman Manson, Walker, and McCauley. By-laws and Special Legislation, Aldermen Gariepy, Daly, and Manson. The first named alderman in each case is to be the chairman of his committee.

City Engineer Keely, who is on a visit of inspection to Eastern cities, tested the Lorimer automatic telephone system in Peterborough and found it very satisfactory.

At the annual meeting of the Edmonton Liberal Association on Monday night, the following officers were chosen: Honorary President—Hon. Frank Oliver; 1st honorary vice president, Hon. C. W. Cross; 2nd honorary vice president, Senator Roy; 3rd honorable vice president, J. H. Gariepy; President, P. E. Lessard; 1st vice president, P. E. Butchart; 2nd vice president, K. A. McLeod; 3rd vice president, G. Koerman. Secretary-treasurer, James McGeorge. Executive Committee—R. J. Manson, J. H. Picard, Malcolm Dewar, G. B. McLeod, Frank Gray, J. A. Kinney, K. W. Mackenzie. Addresses were delivered by Duncan Marshall and J. R. Boyle, M.P.P., in both of which reference was made to the glowing outlook for the party in the Dominion and in the province.

There is a great scarcity of telephone poles, which may seriously affect the construction operations of the Government and the city during the coming summer.



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A Handsome Calendar

The Edmonton Tent and Mattress Co., Limited, wish, through the columns of the Saturday News, to wish their many friends and customers a very happy and prosperous new year.

They also wish to announce that they have just received a limited number of very beautiful calendars,

published by The Osborne Co., of New York, entitled "The Loose Shoe," from the original painting by Max T. Klepper. These are exceptionally fine calendars and well worth a place in any house. Further particulars about how to secure one of these calendars will appear in their advertisement of next week.

Sunny Alberta.

Macleod real estate men are asking the Board of Trade of that town to reconsider the decision in regard to the appointment of T. B. Evans as secretary of the advertising committee, on the ground that Mr. Evans is interested in real estate himself and could use the correspondence to the advantage of his own firm before others in the same line of business could have access to it.

Capt. C. E. Denny, who was down here recently renewing old friendships after a long absence, says the Medicine Hat News, was most unfortunate while in the city. He took a chill on the third day which settled on his lungs, and he had a severe illness having to remain in bed for over a week. The two doctors who attended him discovered that the illness was much complicated by heart disease, which they informed him was no doubt brought on by the last two years' hardships in the north, the heart being weak from previous rough work. He was also informed that he could never go back to that northern life as it would kill him, and that his only chance lay in going to some low country like the coast and taking care of himself. This it is impossible for the Captain to do, as he must continue to live, and the News urges that in view of his services in the early days as a Mounted Policeman it would be a graceful act for the government to grant him a special pension.

Jack Weatherly, familiarly known as "Rawhide Jack" has been arrested by the Medicine Hat R. N. W. M. P. detachment in connection with cattle thieving south of Bassano.

On Dec. 21 the Masons of Frank had their new hall formally opened by D. D. G. M. Smyth of Medicine Hat.

Melvin Smenton, a small boy, is in a precarious condition owing to an accident sustained while coasting in Medicine Hat. He collided with a telegraph pole.

J. L. Morris, a well-known contractor for ten years past at Medicine Hat, died after several weeks' illness at the hospital in that city.

It fell to the lot of the good people of Clover Bar district to relieve a case of great distress recently. Mr. and Mrs. Stuart arrived in that vicinity about six months ago from the state of Maine. The expenses of the journey took all of their money. Stuart rented a shack and worked for farmers round. A few weeks ago his wife was taken ill and died, the widower being left with two small children and practically penniless. Messrs. Eugene Williams, Frank Rice, H. Quebec and Joseph Killian undertook to raise a subscription in their behalf and secured enough money to send them back to their friends

in Maine. Mr. and Mrs. E. Williams had the family removed to their home.

Magrath is considering the question of securing incorporation as a town.

A daily train service will shortly be put on between Lethbridge and Great Falls, Montana.

The operetta "A Frolic in the Cooking School" was produced as a Christmas entertainment at Raymond.

The drama "Followed by Fate" was produced last week by the Sunday school scholars at Cardston.

C. E. Halpin has purchased the Lacombe Globe from L. B. Latimer.

The Fort Saskatchewan council will ask the legislature to confirm its agreement with O. Higman in regard to the electric light franchise.

The A. R. & I. Co. raised the price of coal 50 cents a ton last week. It is now being delivered at \$3.75 per ton in Lethbridge.

A delegate will be sent from McLeod to Ottawa to urge the granting of a subsidy for a railway from McLeod to the boundary.

William Allen McDonald, who recently sold his ranch in the vicinity of Calgary, wandered into False Creek at Vancouver while in a state of delirium tremens and was drowned.

Ex-Ald. J. H. Kerr of Calgary was fined \$50 for turning in a false alarm on Christmas Day.

During the past two months eight attempts have been made to burn down the new school building at Lacombe. A little boy named Hubert Reed was arrested on the charge but on investigation the evidence was shown to be altogether insufficient to convict him with the charge and he was honorably discharged.

Frederick Bresee of Ferrybank, near Ponoka, who was killed on the station platform at Calgary, was born in Sutton, P. Q., Feb. 8, 1841, and leaves a wife and two sons, Edgar, who resides on the farm at Ferrybank, and Eugene, who resides in Madison South Dakota, besides three brothers and two sisters in Sutton.

Rev. E. H. Webb, incumbent of the Anglican Church at Ponoka, has been appointed to that at Coleman. His successor is Rev. A. A. Cramp of the Pembina mission.

James Brazier was killed by a fall of coal while mining at Bullocksville, near Stettler. He came to Canada from Stacy, Minnesota, two years ago.

S. H. Kimball, a rancher, came into Stettler from Cold Springs on Christmas Day and had a finger that had been frozen amputated. He declined to take any anaesthetic and left immediately after the operation for the South on business matters.

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The Saturday News has now entered on the second year of existence, being first issued on Dec. 23, 1905. Its minimum bona fide circulation is 1700 copies. Advertisers are invited to examine its books to satisfy themselves as to the correctness of the figures which appear at the head of this column. It is carefully read, not glanced over and cast aside, by fully 5000 persons of a class whom it is most in the interests of the advertiser to reach. Both as to quality and quantity of circulation, it can stand comparison with any medium in Alberta.

Cleveland and Edmonton

An article in a recent number of Collier's Weekly is especially commended to the attention of the citizens of Edmonton. The Saturday News for a year past has been endeavoring to arouse them to the need at this stage in the city's growth of making provision for increasing the dignity and beauty of an already attractive situation. It has succeeded in its efforts to the extent that a competent landscape architect was a few weeks ago commissioned to prepare a general plan on which to proceed. We have a great deal to learn from the experience of the other cities of the continent, both from what they have actually accomplished and from their mistakes. One of the most progressive is Cleveland, whose adoption of the principle of "the civic centre" is treated by Mr. S. E. Moffett in the article in Collier's referred to.

A civic centre Mr. Moffett defines as a conscious design and effort to assemble as many as possible of the great public buildings of a city within one conspectus or view. Cleveland he points out was ripe for such an evolution. The city hall, court house, railroad station, and postoffice were all unworthy of a city of its size. In Edmonton these have all to be built within the next two or three years. The first to undertake the work of replacing the old by the new in Cleveland was the Federal Government. It determined to build on a certain site three blocks south of the city's waterfront a federal building giving accommodation to the postoffice, the customs offices, and the Federal courts. The question immediately arose whether advantage should not be taken of the opportunity to purchase enough ground in front of the proposed new building to enable the city to open a square and erect the city hall and similar public buildings on the various sides of it. The railway tracks

which run along the waterfront, were an obstacle in the way. If the side towards the lake were left open there would be the disfiguring railway tracks and the smoke from locomotives to spoil the view. Finally the arrangement was made with the railway companies to close off the view of the railway tracks by constructing a magnificent new station and a city hall on the north side of the Court of Honor, as the square will be called. The whole plan is now in process of being carried out. The walls of the federal building are erected. The plans for the court house and city hall are complete and contracts have been let. The plans for the great union station are finished. The plans of a new public library are being completed.

In Edmonton we have our waterfront, as fine a one as any city the continent over can lay claim to. Is it not worth while making an effort to utilise it in connection with the public structures that will shortly be erected? We shall have the report of Mr. Todd, the landscape architect commissioned by the city council, at an early date. When any project is brought before the public, however, we may expect that there will be those who denounce it as the work of visionaries and idealists, who have no place in a matter-of-fact community like this. Mr. Moffett answers these "practical" men, "What's the use," he pictures them as saying "of throwing away money on the fountain and those statues and that arch when we need more school houses and fire engines!" Mr. Moffett's reply is worth quoting:—"And then the artist explains wearily for the hundredth time: My dear sir, you don't need to spend all that money now. Forget the fountain if it irritates you. But here is the plan. Lay it away, and some day, if you feel like putting up a fountain or some millionaire is moved to raise a monument to himself in that form, put it there. Don't just stick it anywhere, don't let a real estate agent select a site for it near some lots he has for sale, but put it right where it is marked on the plan. It won't cost you a cent more, and it will be a charming touch in a picture instead of a dab of meaningless paint on a dirty canvas. And when you want to build an art gallery, and an opera house, and a museum, which you will before long, don't go hunting all over town for passable locations, but put them here, and here, and here. We don't expect you to carry out the plan all at once: we have merely furnished you a guide, so that whatever you do hereafter will be done right instead of wrong."

In Edmonton we shall find it an exceedingly difficult matter to follow out any broad public policy in this or in other matters. There are so many individual interests to stand in the way that unless those

who have the guidance of our affairs are prepared to work with a single eye to the ultimate good of the city as a whole, we shall be steered upon some bad pitfalls.

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Personal.

Robert Lee of Crafts and Lee is on a business trip to the coast.

Charles Mair, the well-known poet, and his son Cecil spent Christmas with H. W. McKenney M. P. P.

Angus Johnson, the popular clerk of the Windsor Hotel, will not return from his holiday trip alone. He was married on Christmas day in Fredericton N. B., to a young lady of that city.

Mr. Charles May, the retiring mayor, entertained the members of the council, city officials and press representatives at an informal and most enjoyable supper at the Prince Arthur after the meeting on Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Bawlf, Miss Bawlf and Miss McKay (Tacomoma), left Winnipeg last week for Montreal and New York. They will sail from the latter city on Jan. 5 for a trip through the Medi-

terranean and to the Holy Land. They expect to be gone about six months.

Mrs. E. B. Williams, wife of E. B. Williams of the firm of Short, Cross & Biggar, arrived in Edmonton on Friday from Charlottetown, P. E. I., accompanied by her mother, Mrs. England. Mr. and Mrs. Williams will make their home on Sutherland St.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Groat, of Strathcona, entertained about 40 of their friends at dinner on Christmas evening, the occasion being the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of their wedding. They were the recipients of many gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Rice Sheppard of Strathcona are leaving on a trip to England.

Senator Peter McLaren, of Perth, arrived in Winnipeg last Thursday. As the senate stands adjourned until January 16, he has taken the opportunity to visit the west, where he has large lumbering interests.

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DeFrain — At Strathcona on Friday, Dec. 14, 1906, to Mr. and Mrs. E. D. DeFrain, a son.

Davies — At Evelyn Villa, Glanyern, Wales, on Thursday, Dec. 6, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Davies, of Strathcona, a daughter.

MARRIED

Coulter — Abraham — On the 25th inst. at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. Dr. MacDonald, Mr. Francis Alfred Coulter of Lacombe, Alta., to Miss Helen Matilda Abraham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Abraham of White Mud, Alta.

Nisbet — Vance — On Christmas Day, at the home of Mr. R. LaPoint, Strathcona, by the Rev. T. J. Johnston, M. A., B. D., Mr. Daniel Story Nisbet, late of the Southern Rhodesian Constabulary, and Miss M. A. Vance, late of the general hospital staff, Montreal.

Stewart — Alton — At the residence of the bride's father, on December 25th, by the Rev. David Flemming, B. A., Arthur Stewart to Miss Annie Alton, both of Strathcona.

Kennedy — Bugg — At the Maunse, Strathcona, on Dec. 26th, by the Rev. David Flemming, B. A., Ernest L. Kennedy to Miss Edith Maud Bugg, both of Strathcona.

Porter — Bussard — At the bride's home, Lewisville, on Wednesday, Dec. 19th, 1906, Mr. Robert Morris Porter, of Wetaskiwin, to Miss Clara Myrtle Bussard.

DIED

Lewis — In Calgary, Dec. 26, Susan, beloved wife of W. H. Lewis, aged 38 years and 10 months.

Metcalf — In Calgary, on Dec. 22, John H. Metcalf, formerly of Pembroke, Ont., barrister aged 59.

Deane — On Dec. 23, Martha Critchell, beloved wife of Capt. R. B. Deane, superintendent of the R. N. W. M. P.

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Its questions and its tumult,
Its call to do and dare!

I care not if men count me
A loser in the strife—
So I but drink, unblinded,
The brimming cup of life.

And so my loyal comrades
Shall whisper at the end,
"He never lost his courage,
He never failed a friend!"

Side by side on my desk with
Phillips Brooks' Calendar for the
New Year lies another, entitled
"The Altogether new Cynic's Calen-
dar of revised Wisdom for
1907."

On the Brooks' offering the first
thing my eye lights on are the
words:

Duty.

"This Truth comes to us more
and more the longer we live that
on what field or in what uniform
or with what aims we do our duty
matters very little, or even what
our duty is, great or small, splen-
did or obscure, only to find our
duty certainly, and somewhere,
somehow, to do it faithfully, makes
us good, strong, happy and useful
men, and tunes our lives into some
feeble echo of the life of God."

And turning to the "Altogether
New Cynic" I discover that
"Many a true word is spoken in
jest-meanness."

"If a man is born with a silver
spoon in his mouth—somebody
hopes he'll choke."

"The worst thing about cyni-
cism is its truth."

Also the following bon-mots:
"Up and doing with a shark for
any fake."

"In the midst of life we are in
debt."

"A cad—the other man. A cat
—the other woman."

This last incidentally reminds
me of a man I heard the other day
laying down the law ancient Edmon-
ton as the meeting place of the
worst ends and boundaries in the
country—who ended up with—
"By the by, old chap, lend us a
quarter will you, I'm just short of
change—Pretty waitress you know
at my hotel—I never can deny
them a miserable fifty"—yet "A
Cad—the other man?"

It also reminds me of a woman
friend of mine who continually
rates at certain cats we know "and
in the same breath assures me she
never reads my "stuff," because it

seems to her "to ape so many clev-
er women's style."

"I suppose, Peggy dear" purrs
a feline scratcher, "you're just full
of good resolutions for the New
Year, you'd need to make a lot to
keep yourself busy breaking
them."

This in the face of the fact that
I have made but one—

Preserve—oh Merciful Provi-
dence preserve me from being a
cat.

Revenons—"Love is blind—
which explains many things."

How much it does to be sure!

"A switch in time saves a fine"
—a fairly good 'motto for—but
who'd be a cat?

"A woman on time is one in
nine."

"There are more fish taken out
of a stream than ever were in it"—
which amplified might serve as a
wise motto for some of the little
fishes about town.

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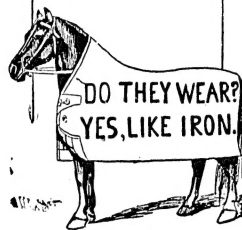
Again "There are enough seri-
ous things in life without consid-
ering yourself one of them."

"First catch your reputation and
then see if you can keep up with
it."

"The mug that goes often with
the swells will some day be broke."

And "The woman who forgives
and doesn't forget is trying to pre-
empt heaven and raise hell."

"Sow your wild oats in a peach
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the better things, the things down in our hearts we care for most; the cynic's doctrine—the armor we use in our dealings with the world which slangily we call blinning—keeping the world off?

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Dusty, down the valley way,
The riband of the road,
A long, brown streamer in the sun,

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Before my house of clay,
And wonder, wonder as I sit,
Where leads that long highway.

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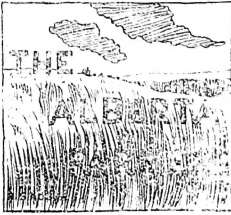
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The Farm and Ranch Review brings out the following in black type in its last issue:—"Word from a very reliable source has just reached us that many members of the Alberta Farmers' Association, in the Southern portion of our province, have the opinion that we referred to President Warner in our leading November editorial, entitled 'The Lacombe Peace Conference.' In all fairness to Mr. Warner, we wish to state that in no sense did we allude to him as 'uncompromising' or an 'office seeker'."

"There were men at that conference to whom our editorial fittingly applied, but not to the President of the Alberta Farmers' Association. Mr. Warner is a broad minded, faithful worker for the best interests of agriculture, and believing this we wish to remedy any wrong impression which may have been misconstrued, from our editorial, by persons not at the convention."

This is satisfactory so far as Mr. Warner is concerned. But what about the other gentlemen who were at the Lacombe convention? Does the Farm and Ranch Review refer to other members of the Alberta Farmers' Association? It cannot do so with justice. The delegates of that body were unanimous. If Mr. Warner was not open to the strictures which our contemporary passed (and we know he was not) no other A.F.A. delegate was. Whoever the Farm and Ranch Review refers to, it should name the party or parties, if it wants to be fair. As things now stand, any delegate, either in the A.F.A. or the Society of Equity, with the exception of Mr. Warner, may be meant in its criticism. Generalities of this character usually defeat themselves. They are indulged in by those who want to criticise but are afraid of giving offence to individuals, and in the end give more offence than if the critics had in the first place had the courage to indicate the object of their attacks.

The Battleford Herald makes this important announcement: "As the Government has now taken up the question of throwing

open the reserves in the vicinity of Battleford one of the drawbacks to the progress of the town will soon be removed. The latest report of the Indian Department shows that within 25 miles of Battleford there are 148,486 acres of land included in six reserves with a population of 560 Indians. This figures out 265 acres per head of men, women and children. If these lands were divided into homesteads there would be over 900 quarter sections after allowing for roads, etc., and would furnish homes for 900 families or over 4000 people. The two reserves now under consideration are Moosomin with an area of 14,720 acres of land and a population of 113, and Thunderchild, with 20,800 acres and 119 population. These reserves extend from the Battle to the Saskatchewan rivers and are a great hindrance to continuous settlement between the rivers.

A despatch from Winnipeg reads: "From the fall of the present year a number of samples of the new Alberta red winter wheat were sent to the leading corn dealers and corn trade associations of England with a view to obtaining the opinions of English experts regarding the new grains. The samples were dispatched to Great Britain by E. Foster Brown, secretary treasurer for the town of Macleod, Alta. Replies were received from several firms, some of which were of considerable interest. The W. O. & J. Wilson, Ltd., millers and corn merchants of Liverpool wrote to the effect that they found the samples of Alberta rye and red Fyfe to be exceedingly fine. In fact they have never before seen such fine wheat from Canada. The Liverpool Corn Trade Association, Ltd., spoke of the samples as most interesting." "The world is gradually getting its eyes opened in regard to the possibilities of Albertan agriculture."

George E. Goldie the well-known miller of Ayr, Ontario, who visited Alberta a few weeks ago, as a member of the grain commission, kept his eyes open during his stay in the province. Part of an interview which he gave a reporter on his return to Winnipeg makes excellent reading for the people of this part of the west.

"Coming from Ontario" he said "the possibilities of mixed farming in Alberta struck me most forcibly. The geographical situation of the province makes it desirable that their products should be placed on the market in a concentrated form and certainly the whole province of Alberta lends itself to mixed

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well and in Southern Alberta, especially where they have irrigation, they seem to be able to grow anything.

"I believe that in a very few years when more of the land is brought under cultivation they will raise two crops in a year, barley for example, followed by some other early maturing crops. In the matter of barley as they can

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control the moisture I think they will be able to a great extent to control the color and the size of berry, and if this can be done there would be a market for an almost unlimited quantity of it in England.

"To my mind the whole question in Alberta is one of transportation. The province is filling rapidly and the development within the next three years will be enormous. They cannot possibly consume their own products; they must export.

"They are too far from the Atlantic seaboard to compete successfully with eastern Saskatchewan and Manitoba, and their natural outlet is the Pacific coast."

"The great obstacle is the haul across the mountains, but this is not an insuperable one and in a few years all the ports on the coast will be receiving Alberta flour and winter wheat, and spring wheat too, for that matter. The Orient will be the natural market for some years, Japan and China taking increasingly large quantities of both flour and wheat. Of course, in the days to come, particularly if Japan secures commercial control of Manchuria, these countries will raise sufficient wheat for their own use. By the way, there are already large modern mills at Harbin. By the time the trade to China and Japan is no longer open, the Panama canal will be completed and there will be a short and cheap route to Liverpool. When that time arrives the United States will have reached a point where she will be more likely to be importing wheat to certain sections rather than exporting it, and Canada will be the great exporting country of the American continent.

"Once Alberta can get her wheat to the seaboard for the same rate per mile as it costs the prairie to take it to Fort William, she will be in a position to compete in the markets of the world, and I am convinced that this day is not far distant."

Mr. Goldie has sized up the situation admirably. That Alberta agriculture has made the progress that it has in the face of such obstacles is surprising. The advantage up to the present has been all with the provinces to the east. Yet in the past five years her population increased at a rate equal to that of Saskatchewan and much greater than that of Manitoba. With the new day that is at hand, when we shall look to the west instead of to the east as an outlet, what may we not expect? In reference to the cost of the haul over the mountains, called attention to by Mr. Goldie, it should be remembered that the railways which go by the way of the Yellowhead Pass will have a much easier grade than that on the C. P. R. main line. Transportation over the mountains

by these new roads can be given at a cheaper rate than by any other route throughout the length of the continent.

Seed fairs will be held in Alberta this season at the following places and dates:

Ponoka, January 22nd.
Olds, " 29th.
Didsbury, " 30th.
Calgary, February 1st.
Medicine Hat, " 5th.
Cardston, " 7th.
Magrath, " 8th and 9th.
Lethbridge, " 12th.
Innisfail, early in March.
Strathcona, " " "
Edmonton, " " "

At each of these Seed Fairs a judge and speakers will be supplied by the Seed Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture.

N. P. Rose, a Colorado farmer, came to Calgary in the late autumn to look over some irrigated land there. So well pleased was he with the prospects that last week he brought a party of nine other farmers from his state to see for themselves what he had described for them. Most of them have returned south to sell their property there with a view to coming back and settling in the vicinity of Calgary.

Before another issue of the Saturday News, the convention of the A. F. A. at Calgary will be a thing of the past. The local branches all promise to be well represented and a most successful gathering is anticipated.

GUARDED HIS MASTER'S BODY.

The body of Michael Quinn, one of the pioneers of Montana, who owned a ranch near Whitehall, was found on the N.P. track near that place by a rescuing party last Saturday and brought to Butte. Close beside the corpse of its master, a large hound, known to be the property of Quinn, kept guard, and it was with considerable difficulty that the body was removed. It is the supposition that the aged rancher was struck by an N.P. train and death followed almost instantly. The dog, evidently, had dragged the corpse along the railroad in an effort to get it home, and being unable to do so, left it on the tracks where he stood vigil during the cold night and the day following. When the rescuing party appeared on the scene, the animal barked savagely and finally had to be lassoed and tied before the corpse could be moved. Quinn left Whitehall shortly after seven o'clock on Friday evening, and the fatality probably occurred shortly after that. He came to Montana forty years ago, and was seventy-two years old at the time of his death.

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The Innisfail Free Lance hands out this scathing bit of editorial comment: "The interdenational with bleared eyes and swollen features reeling from a grog ship is an angel compared with a licentious old libertine ogling with libidinous looks every female passer by and conspiring to secure new excitement for a jaded virility."

Any Innisfail lady-killer who remains in business after perusing the foregoing is far gone in the ways of degeneracy.

Twenty-five years ago, the life of the Lieutenant-Governor who presided over the administration of this part of Canada was a trifle different from that of His Honor of to-day. The Battleford Herald in its reproductions from its file of that date had the following: "On Saturday the 17th, the Honorable David Laird took his departure from Battleford. The Registrar, the Secretary, and many of the leading inhabitants saw him comfortably settled in his cariole, and wished him God-speed through his long and tedious journey over the plains. Before leaving the citizens of Battleford presented the Lieutenant-Governor with an address. The Governor's outfit was rather unfortunate in the start. The first and second nights out the horses deserted, necessitating a return to Battleford by Mr Prongua to secure them, while His Honor and Mr Laurie remained in camp until the return of the recreant animals, or substitutes."

A Halifax minister made the statement the other day that "the brains of the Dominion lie in the Maritime Provinces." It is a strange fact that he should have been ignorant of the fact that R. B. Bennett had moved from New Brunswick to Alberta.

Some people in cold weather like to be reminded of the days when the thermometer coquetted with the hundred mark and vice-versa in hot weather. During a warm spell a few years ago a London paper filled the front page with all kinds of pectical quotations referring to ice, frost, snow, etc. Others, however, find comfort in hearing about people who are worse off than they are themselves. Those who have thought the cold of the past week excessive will read with interest Captain Peary's statement that last

winter up north was an unusually mild one, the average temperature throughout the season only being 51 below. Some years ago at the place where he made his winter quarters the average was 72.

Readers of W. W. Jacobs will appreciate an incident in regard to him recently related by a magazine editor:

"When I praised his wonderful skill," said the editor, "in the writing of short stories, he said that it was only their surprises that made his stories take."

"Then to illustrate what he meant, he told me a story wherein the surprises came fast and furious."

"He said that a lawyer, defending a man accused of housebreaking, spoke like this: 'You honor, I submit that my client did not break into the house at all. He found the parlor window open, and merely inserted his right arm and removed a few trifling articles. Now, my client's arm is not himself, and I fail to see how you can punish the whole individual for an offence committed only by one of his limbs.'"

"That argument," said the judge, "is very well put. Following it logically, I sentence the defendant's arm to one year's imprisonment. He can accompany it or not, as he chooses."

"The defendant smiled, and with his lawyer's assistance unscrewed his cork arm, and, leaving it in the dock, walked out."

A reference to the great family of Smith's in this column some weeks ago prompts a friend to send me a story which Gen. Fitzhugh Lee used to tell with great gusto of an experience during an election campaign in Virginia against Hon. John S. Wise.

"Mr. Wise made the statement," said the General, "that if I had been named Smith, instead of Lee, I never would have been heard of. I endeavored to combat that theory, and in every speech I made during the campaign would touch upon Mr. Wise's statement and would then briefly refer to some famous historical figures in order to show that the name Smith was not to be despised."

"One day I spoke before a large crowd on the court-house green in a rural community, and even before I began my speech I noticed a drunken man standing right up in the front row of listeners. I took up the Smith matter and informed those agriculturists what a distinguished family the Smiths had been. As I warned up to the subject I noticed that something seemed to be worrying that drunken man, and more than once he seemed to be on the verge of interrupting me. I reminded my audience that a distinguished Governor of the State had borne the name of Smith, and that many other men famous in war and in peace had borne the despised cognomen. Meanwhile the drunken man watched me with ill-concealed anxiety. Finally he could stand it no longer. Lifting his hand and balancing himself with inebriated gravity, he blurted out, 'Shay Gen'ral, don't forget thash old Smith thash killed Pocahontas!'"

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An English writer, challenged to compose thirty lines on seasickness, with a musical term in each line, wrote an ingenious jingle, from which the following stanzas are quoted:

If rolling is her crotchety,

This vessel ought to score;

She spoils my rest, she spoils my notes,

She spoils my repertoire.

There demi goes my dinner,

As the ship on upper C

Appoggiaturas. Oh! the brute,

She's pitched too high for me.

I cannot scale the dizzy mast;

The cords are very slack;

Oh! how I shake; I know I shall

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PERSONAL

The death of Carl Olaf Swanson, Dominion Immigration agent, at his home near Wetaskiwin on Christmas Day removes a most interesting personality. He was born in Grenstad, Sweden, on June 5th, 1844, and came to Canada in 1869, settling in Waterville, Que., where he resided until the spring of 1901, when he moved with his family to the homestead, five miles south-east of Wetaskiwin. In 1892 he was appointed immigration agent by the Dominion Government. His field of labor was the Central States, where he rendered most effective service. He is survived by his wife, a son and a daughter.

Inspector Strickland of the R.N. W.M.P., Fort Saskatchewan, who has been seriously ill, is now thought to be out of danger.

Miss Pargiter of the Mail staff (formerly of Edmonton) gave a bachelor's dinner party on Christmas night to representatives of the Church, the Law, the Army and the Press—Camrose Mail.

The Vermilion Signal tells of a pretty romance which culminated in the wedding on Christmas Day in that town of Ernest Charles Champion, of Berlin, Ont., and Sarah Craig, daughter of the late James Craig, of Belfast Ireland, and cousin of Mrs. R. J. McCue. The ceremony took place in the parlor of the Alberta Hotel in the presence of a few friends of the principals and was performed by Rev. W. Simons, assisted by Rev. John Smith, of Calgary, who happened to be visiting Mr. Simons. Miss Craig arrived in Vermilion last March. On her way across the Atlantic, she and the bridegroom met for the first time. It was one of those cases of love at first sight of which we now and then hear. After the ship arrived in port their ways parted, but the wedding was the happy sequel to the correspondence which has since passed between them.

A. C. Brown, acting manager of the Bank of Commerce at Vermilion for a year past, has received the appointment as a permanent one.

While A. O. Wheeler is in the east he will not be idle. He will be the guest of the Canadian Club at a dinner in the Russell House, Ottawa, and will speak on the Alpine Club work in the Yoho. While in Ottawa he will give an illustrated lecture under the auspices of the Canadian Club. Mr. Wheeler will lecture by invitation in Toronto, Woodstock, and Collingwood and on his return journey at Winnipeg—Calgary Albertan.

John Balsillie, one of the oldest Hudson's Bay Co. employees, died from a stroke of paralysis in Winnipeg recently. He came to Fort Garry over half a century ago.

H. B. Bennet, of Medicine Hat, has been transferred to the management of the Merchants Bank at Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Morrow have returned to their ranch west of Ponoka, after a two years' sojourn in Modawin, Iowa.

Col. Jarvis, secretary of the Dominion department, of Agriculture, was married on Thursday last to Miss Geraldine Fitzgerald of Ottawa. The colonel and his bride left for the Pacific coast at noon on a honeymoon trip to New Zealand.

Sunny Alberta.

The Alberta Central Railway company will apply to the parliament of Canada for an act to extend the time for construction of their railway from the village of Content, Alberta, to Medicine Hat.

Colin Johnston of Athabasca Landing, formerly a resident of Manitoba, has proved his claim to share in halfbreed scrip. He gets a grant of 240 acres.

E. W. Day, the founder of Daysland, was banquetted and presented with a gold-headed cane by the citizens of that town before leaving on a business trip to the east.

A bylaw regulating the blowing of locomotive whistles within the city limits of Lethbridge received its several readings and has been passed. When a locomotive blows a whistle in that city now it will cost \$20.

Delaval Beresford, who was killed in the accident on the Soo line while returning South from Medicine Hat, was a brother of Lord Charles and Lord Marcus Beresford. He leaves a very large estate in Mexico. In his younger days Beresford was sent to America, and after trying in Canada he located in Mexico. He prospered and acquired large estates in land and cattle in both Canada and Mexico. He is said to have been a society outcast, and to have married a negress named Flora Wolf. He had extensive cattle interests in the vicinity of Medicine Hat.

The Frank Paper states that one outcome of the recent miners' strike at Fernie has been several threats against the life of District President F. H. Sherman. He has instituted suit against the Nelson News for \$10,000 damages on account of the attacks upon him.

A resident of Frank was sent to gaol for a month for breaking through quarantine in a diphtheria case.

A. E. Humphries has resigned his post as chief of the Lethbridge fire brigade. He was not satisfied with the city's fire fighting equipment.

Colin Nicholson, of Coleman, was captured while attempting to break into J. D. Higginbotham's store at Lethbridge.

Lethbridge old-timers will hold a ball and supper this month.

Four inmates of a Japanese disorderly house across the river were fined \$50 and costs in Calgary.

Crossley and Hunter began a series of evangelistic services in Calgary on Sunday.

M. Beauchamp has bought Robt. Tegler's three-story hotel at Mundare.

Valuable coal beds on the south bank of the Saskatchewan just west of Mewassin and 60 miles west of Edmonton are reported to be burning fiercely. They are owned by a syndicate in which the C.P.R. and McDougall & Secord are interested. The outcropping of the beds is known to travellers up the river as the Coal Arch.

The presence of snow and sleighing lent an unusual charm to Christmas at Medicine Hat. The day was a very pleasant one. It is not very often that we hear the merry jingle of sleigh bells at Christmas.—Medicine Hat News.

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The Mirror

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HOME AND SOCIETY.

Now that the Christmas holidays are a thing of the past, hostesses seem rousing themselves once more to resume the gay and giddy whirl, and from all I can gather Edmonton is going to be particularly busy in a social way for many weeks to come.

On New Year's Day, despite the intense cold, shoals of men wended their way to make their yearly "duty" calls, beginning with the Lieut.-Governor's levee and ending up about the tea hour at their favorite hostess', for be it known to you a man is only a boy grown and saves the icing on his cake till the last possible moment, with the idea of lengthening his enjoyment to the delicious end.

The levee was, from all accounts, an unusually largely attended affair, seemingly everyone in possession of a "frocker" and a top hat, also others, crowding Third St. on foot, a-horseback and the Multi's in carriages, according to their several means.

From personal experience and talk generally, I gather that there has been a tremendous revival of the delightful old custom of making New Year's calls, and I can assure the men that if they even guessed at the altogether delightful impression they created in their glad rags, they would one and all take like ducks to water to coming oftener.

New Year's Eve was a great night for the young people, Mrs. Almon giving a jolly sleighing party for Mrs. Rhodes (of Up down) pretty daughter, who is home, I believe, from boarding school in Calgary for the holidays. Mrs. Richard Scoble chartered the drive, the other guests being Miss Rhodes, Miss Lynch, Miss Matheson, Miss Gladys and Miss Kate Boucher, (another pretty girl also home from school,) Miss Beatrice Beck, Miss May Branton, Mr. Lines, Mr. Hector and Mr. Jack Landry, Mr. Tom Kelly, Mr. A. Hawes of Toronto, Mr. Farmer and Mr. Ridley. At the conclusion of the outing the merry party returned to Mrs. Almon's residence where an appetizing supper was served, followed by a little dance. Later some of the guests went on to Sheriff Robertson's where Mrs. Cooper was the hostess of an impromptu dance which I shall speak of later.

On New Year's night Mrs. Pardee entertained at a small dance, given for the boys in the Bank of Montreal and Miss Rhodes, when, as goes without saying, where such a hospitable hostess and charming surroundings are concerned, everyone enjoyed him and herself

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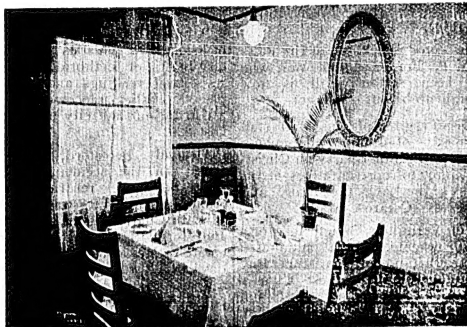
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to the utmost. I hear that the pretty girl debutantes and also the not out, made a charming picture and that all the guests are hoping that the coming year may trip by half as merrily as did this jolly little dance on the first night of it.

Mrs. A. R. Hamilton, who has been expected in town for a fortnight past, arrived on New Year's eve, having been prevented from getting here by her brother-in-law's illness in Winnipeg. She and Mr. Hamilton are cosily en pension at Up-Down, in the smartest of quarters.

Another new year's arrival was Mr. Jack Landry who has come west to assist his brother in the latter's law office.

Mrs. H. C. Wilson her young daughter, Violet, Miss Beatrice Beck, Mrs. Secord and Mrs. Yorke left on Thursday for Los Angeles. Mrs. Wilson expects to be gone a month or six weeks at least, her stay however depending on the doctor's arrangements. Miss Beck will remain south for the winter visiting her aunt.

Mr. Dick Hardisty left on Friday for Arkansas accompanied by his young son. While distinctly better of late, he found the severe weather a great drawback to rapid improvement and has gone to see what a milder climate can do for him. A host of friends will wish him "Bon Voyage" and hope to see him back in town before long completely recovered.

Mrs. Turnbull is entertaining at an informal tea on Saturday afternoon in honor of some of the out-of-town visitors and the more recent arrivals.

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sent as a gift to the citizens of Edmonton, arrived at Strathcona on Wednesday afternoon, word of its final getting here being telephoned as the annual meeting of the chapter was in progress at Mrs.

Cross' residence. Arrangements were at once made for its bestowal at the fire hall, until its formal presentation by the chapter, which will, I imagine, take place in a week's time.

The annual report of the secretary, Mrs. Ewing, who is incidentally the most indefatigable of officers as well as a most enthusiastic and patriotic daughter, showed a splendid record of accomplishment for the first year's life of the organization in Edmonton; no less than one thousand and seventy-five dollars being realized during the year as a result of its efforts. The bulk of this amount has gone towards the purchase of the ambulance while handsome flags were presented to the two cadet corps as standards for their detachments. Necessarily there have been some incidental expenditures but at the beginning of this second year of their existence the Westward Ho chapter have paid for the ambulance in full, its bill of freight, which amounted to \$108.50, all excepting a trifling deficit of fifty-six dollars. Is this not a magnificent record for one year's work?

Being capable women, who like to do business on a strictly cash basis the Chapter are eagerly hoping that some liberal friends who have the good of their kind at heart will send in what contributions they feel it is in their power to do, and thus make the ambulance to be handed over, a debt free generous gift for our common use and benefit. The ambulance is a fine example of its kind, perfect in all particulars, and strictly up-to-date. No expense has been spared to obtain the best to be had, and Edmonton may well congratulate herself on its possession.

Prior to the conclusion of the meeting Mrs. H. C. Wilson read her Presidential address, which set forth the aims and objects of the society as well as referring to the year's work accomplished. By a unanimous vote last year's officers were returned in toto, and the singing of "God save the King" brought the proceedings to a close.

Mrs. Bown was the hostess of a small card party on Wednesday evening, which passed off very successfully.

Mr. Wilfrid Harrison who has been visiting in Idaho during the Christmas vacation returned this week.

Mrs. de Blois Thibaudau entertained at dinner on Saturday evening in honor of Mr. Noel and his bride, a few friends dropping in later for a game of Bridge.

The engagement is announced in Quebec of Miss Elsie R. Staveley, daughter of Mr. Harry Staveley, to Mr. J. J. Mason, of Calgary, son of Mr. George E. Mason, of Victoria, B. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Calderon have rented a small furnished house on Seventh, which they were fortunate enough to obtain through the owner's enforced absence in the east. I believe they are to remain in possession for the next three months.

Dr. P. W. Tuller, of Lethbridge, Alta., who was married to Miss Edith Whitney, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Whitney, Lethbridge, by Rev. A. M. Gordon on Dec. 17th, passed through the city yesterday on the way to Madoc, Ont., Dr. Tuller's old home, where a part of the honeymoon will be spent.—Toronto Globe.

After a cessation of society events of any description, Mrs. Rutherford's "At Home," the first large affair given by the Premier's wife, in Stratcona, on Friday, the 28th, was a pleasant break in the monotony.

Hosts of callers from both sides of the river attended the function, and Mrs. Rutherford was assisted in receiving by the Premier, and Mrs. Mackenzie, wife of the Deputy Minister of Education.

While all the rooms on the first floor were gaily en fete for the occasion, the tea room was naturally the cynosure of all eyes. The colors chosen for the table and decorations were pink and white, with just enough suggestion of green to throw into high relief the soft delicate shades.

Rising from a centre-piece of pink silk, veiled in white tulle, was a jardiniere of exquisite pink roses and at either end were silver candelabra holding dainty pink candles. Crossing the table diagonally were broad pink satin streamers, intermingled with trailing smilax, while over all fell the soft light from a pink umbrella poppy shade.

The reception lasted rather later than usual owing to the large number of callers.

The "tea" given by Mrs. Nightingale on Wednesday afternoon in honor of her sisters, the Misses Helen and Gertrude Hudsbeth, of Port Hope, added another to the list of the delightful affairs of the week. In the reception hall the graceful hostess welcomed her guests, looking stunningly pretty in a broad gown of soft white silk with quantities of white chiffon and pink and green bebe ribbon trimmings; her sunny hair being beautifully coiffed, as usual, and much admired. Assisting her in receiving the constant stream of guests were Miss Gertrude Hudsbeth, prettily gowned in white silk, and Miss Helen, wearing pale blue

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mull over blue satin, with blue satin ribbon garniture, and animatedly enjoying herself to the utmost.

The entire suite of rooms was thrown open for the occasion, and were redolent with the perfume of many lovely flowers, but even at that the space was barely sufficient to accommodate the large number who dropped in for a chat and a five o'clocker.

Mrs. Braithwaite and Mrs. Cantley were in charge of the tea-room, and presided at the simply arranged but very effective tea-table. The central ornament was a perfect shower of exquisite carnations and ferns, in a tall cut glass vase, resting on a foundation of billowy red, shrouded in white tulle, candles in silver sticks, and some pieces of beautiful Japanese drawn work and the various dainties were all the attempt made at decoration, but the whole effect was so quaintly restful, I thought it particularly artistic. Among those assisting I noticed Mrs. Swaisland in a fetching costume of pale green and white voile, beautifully fashioned, with a stunning cheapeau to correspond. Mrs. Pardee in a soft clinging gown of grey crepe, with a white point d'esprit yoke, outlined in rich applique with touches of pale pink, and a large black picture hat, which were eminently be-

coming, and Miss Woods in a white frock over pink and large black hat. Here and there in the crush I caught sight of a number of people I knew. Mrs. Thibaudau, a never-failing centre of attraction, Mrs. J. H. Morris, Mrs. Mays in a pretty pink bodice and elephant grey toque with peacock feathers, Mrs. Ewing in black with mauve and pink toque and scarf, Miss Crosskill, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Graydon, Mrs. N. D. Beck, Miss Sadie Wishart, Miss Abby Sommerville, Mrs. Duncan Smith, pretty Mrs. Charlesworth, Mrs. Alan Fraser, looking remarkably well, Mrs. Norgay, and many others. In the evening Mrs. Nightingale entertained the little Bridge Club, which meets every two weeks, a very merry evening's play being indulged in by the four tables.

From all accounts the dance given at Sheriff Robertson's on New Year's Eve was an unusually enjoyable one; sixty guests tripping the night away on tireless feet. The affair was given in Mr. Fred Robertson's honor, and dancing was continued until a very late—early hour. I think there is no night in the year so suited to a happy gathering as the one that invites a good-bye to the old year and a welcome to the new. To dance the one out and the other in

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Mr. G. S. Seton, formerly of
Siam, who has spent the last two
months in town, in the service
of Beck, Emery and Newell, leaves
on Saturday for Victoria, where he
purposes going in for real estate.
Mr. Seton's Edmonton friends will
wish him good luck and the best of
fortune in his new venture.

Mrs. Nightingale entertains at a
matinee "Bridge" on Saturday.

The Hon. Senator and Mrs. Roy
entertained at a charming dinner
party of ten covers at Cronn's on
Monday evening, when the ban-
queting room up stairs was beau-
tifully arranged for the smart event.
The hostess received her guests in
an elegant gown of rich cream
satin, trimmed with some hand

some old lace, and looked radiantly
lovely as she gave each guest a
pretty word of welcome. The Sen-
ator, always the most gallant of
Frenchmen, seconded his wife's
greeting, adding a delicate com-
pliment here and a little story there
in the inimitable manner of his
race. The guests who were hon-
ored with invitations for the dinner
included:—The Hon. C. W. and
Mrs. Cross, Mr. and Mrs. de Blois
Thibaudau, Mr. and Mrs. Aug-
uste Noel, Miss Woods, and Mr.
Camille Noel. Showers of carna-
tion and fern were the floral decora-
tions employed on the strikingly
arranged table, and the menu was
a triumph in the culinary art.
Senator and Mrs. Roy return to
Ottawa this week.

Quite a number of hostesses
seem to have set their hearts on
Thursday to entertain. Mrs.
Bouchier gave a dance on that

evening, which was an exceedingly
popular affair, when everyone had
a splendid time from the youngest
not out to the most blasé of dance
devotees. There were any number
of pretty girls and popular young
married people present, a fine show-
ing of good-looking men, and
when you mention a fine dancing floor
and good music, as well as the most hos-
pitable of hostesses, you may readily see
that the dance could not fail to be other
than it was a marked success.

Mrs. Cross was another of Thursday's
entertainers, giving a jolly little "Gai"
party in the evening in honor of Mrs.
Roy. I thought the pretty petite hostess
looking exceedingly well in cream
voile, made very simply but so becom-
ingly. Mrs. Roy was very much admired,
gowned in pale blue spangled chiffon
over the same shade of satin with garni-
ture of tiny pink chiffon rosebuds, the
decolette being outlined with hand em-
broideder medallions of blue tulle re-
lieved with pink. Mrs. Noel, who came
in late, wore a stunning gown of chiffon
velvet in a soft shade of old rose, with
quantities of handsome cream lace and

velvet bebe ribbon. A delicious supper
was served from a large centre table in
the cheery dining room, centered with an
exquisite basket of white hyacinths on a
foundation of white tulle over yellow silk.

Owing to the tragic death of Mrs.
Joseph Morris's brother in a railway ac-
cident on Thursday, Mrs. Morris's tea,
which was to have taken place on Friday,
was at once abandoned. Word was only
received late on Thursday evening and as
I write no particulars have as yet arrived
of the terrible fatality, but the very
deepest sympathy of an unlimited num-
ber of friends will go out to this more
than popular woman in her great be-
reavement.

Miss Kate Bouchier and Miss Rhodes
returned to their school in Calgary on
Friday, after a delightful vacation.

Mrs. James, of Wetaskiwin, is visiting
Mrs. McManus, of Fourth street.

Peggy